

Br. Louis July 21.
Private letter from a rebel who had been captured by Federal troops had fought with six or eight others, and all were killed. About 300 guards were at Edwards on Monday. About thirty bushwhackers had been captured in Carroll county, and the mail coach was considerably plundered during the week. All the persons murdered had been in the military, and were prominent Union men.

The St. Joe River has been quiet, so that the city is full of refugees from the lower counties, and hundreds have gone to Lewes, where they are getting horses to ride. Weston is closed, so that there is constant fear of a raid. About fourteen buildings were burned in Paste City by the Federals, and the town is a mass of ruins. A fire in a house belonging to a Union man. They tried to save the Senate office, but the fire made too great progress.

John Thompson and Todd commanding at Fort Smith, the general in command of the Missouri river was fired on by guerrillas at Rockport, but no one was injured.

Hannibal, July 20.
Important despatches have been received here night, which it is understood tell us that the rebels who recently ravaged the eastern portion of Maryland, and that the叛乱 party is taking large amounts of plunder.

Gardiner Creek, while a sharp, and for a time, a terrific engagement took place, and the rebels, anxious to save the grain and cattle that they had succeeded in bringing that far, gave up, however, and fled.

Gen. Grant, however, was determined they should not escape, and took many prisoners. As usual, the enemy left his dead and wounded on the field.

New York, July 20.
The Commercial's Washington special says the War Department has positive information of the capture of Atlanta by Johnson, who has by this time dispatched a large body of Stone's cavalry to Macon, in order to release the numerous Union officers confined there.

The Tribune's Washington special says we now have upwards of 62,000 rebel prisoners, including 6,000 officers.

Sir, John July 20.
Thornton's 500 strong, are in Carroll county to-day, and will probably make an effort to cross the Missouri river. Gen. Price's force is too small to be sufficient to create much real feeling.

Advice from Chattanooga state that Tennessee was twenty miles south of the river this morning, and was moving rapidly toward Howard county, but it is believed he will try to cross the Missouri and get South.

WASHINGTON, July 20.
Persons who left home yesterday noon and arrived home to-day are quiet before Petersburg, with the exception of the usual anxiety due.

The weather is very hot and every thing seems to bring relief from drought.

Rebel prisoners state that the camp through the West will be very short for want of rain.

Petersburg is believed to be completely at the mercy of Grant's gunnery, which now completely command the city.

The rebels, which were sent in search of the Florida are returning, and report no trace of her in the latitude through which they were ordered to cruise when she sailed.

The sensational story of the New York World to the effect that Secretary Stanton has resigned, appears to be believe in some parts of the country, and a telegram from Indianapolis urging the appointment of Gen. Butler to the vacancy.

Murphy, July 19, via Cairo, July 20.
There had been nothing additional from Grant, but the day before he was wounded in the leg in the late fight. He was taken to Oklaoma. The 7th rebel Tennessee regiment, with the exception of part of it which was captured, was re-enlisted. It was disengaged in West Tennessee.

A rebel mail carrier by the name of Gentry was killed at Germantown by our police last evening, and was severely wounded on his person. Forrest had sent three or four small parties consisting in West Tennessee, and for the purpose of raising horses and negroes. The latter are taken down South and sold.

A large section of the South is said to be covered with cotton crop, so that trade may be expected to be good, so that trade may be expected to be good.

One or perhaps both of us may have to leave the fall to day, but will return in time to receive the communication which you propose to me.

Very respectfully, &c.

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